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As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names;

we believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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described and claimed in the attached specification;

we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims;

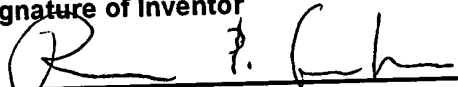
we acknowledge our duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56; and

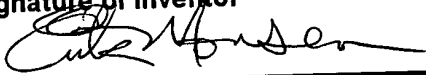
we do not know and do not believe the invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, that the invention was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on any application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application, and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by us or our legal representatives or assigns.

We hereby appoint practitioners at **Customer Number 00919** to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith;

Additionally, we hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith;

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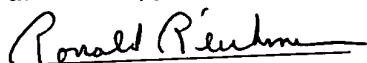
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1. Name of conveying party:  Ronald P. Sansone Erik Monsen	2. Name of receiving party:  Pitney Bowes Inc. 1 Elmcroft Road Stamford, CT 06926-0700
3. Nature of Conveyance: Assignment Execution Date: As to Ronald P. Sansone: September 4, 2003; as to Erik Monsen: September 2, 2003	
4. Property Conveyed: This document is being filed together with a new patent application. The execution date of the application is As to Ronald P. Sansone: September 4, 2003; as to Erik Monsen: September 2, 2003 .	
5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning this document should be mailed:  Ronald Reichman Pitney Bowes Inc. 35 Waterview Drive P.O. Box 3000 Shelton, CT 06484-8000	6. Total Number of Applications: 1  7. Total Recordal Fee: \$40.00  8. Charge the \$40.00 Fee to <b>Deposit Account No. 16-1885.</b>
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Ronald Reichman

September 29, 2003

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, RONALD P. SANSONE and ERIK MONSEN, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a **METHOD FOR POSTAGE EVIDENCING FOR THE PAYMENT OF TERMINAL DUES USING RADIO FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION TAGS** identified as File Number **F-729** in the Intellectual Property and Technology Law Department files of the hereinafter-mentioned assignee, said RONALD P. SANSONE has executed an application for United States Patent based thereon on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEMBER, 2003; and said ERIK MONSEN has executed an application for United States Patent based thereon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of SEPTEMBER, 2003;

AND WHEREAS, we acknowledge that at the time of the invention, we were under an obligation to convey the entire rights in the invention to the hereinafter-mentioned assignee;

AND WHEREAS, Pitney Bowes Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and having its place of business at 1 Elmcroft Road, Stamford, Connecticut, U.S.A., is desirous of acquiring certain rights thereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, for one dollar and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of all of which is hereby acknowledged, we have agreed to and hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said corporation the entire right, title and interest, in and throughout the United States of America (including its territories and dependencies) and all countries foreign thereto, in and to said invention, said application and any and all patents (including extensions thereof, and all the rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property including the right to claim for any foreign patent application the priority date of the corresponding U.S. patent application) of any country, which have been or may be granted on said invention or any part thereof, or on said application or any divisional, continuing, renewal, substitute, reissue or other patent application based in whole or in part thereon, or based upon said invention;

TO BE HELD AND ENJOYED by said corporation, its successors and assigns, to the full ends of the respective terms of which said patents or any of them have been or may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had no sale and assignment of said interest been made;


AND we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America to issue any and all United States patents which may be granted upon said United States application or any of them, or upon said invention or any part thereof, to said corporation;

AND we hereby agree for ourselves and for our heirs, executors and administrators, to execute without further consideration any further lawful documents and any further assurances, and any divisional, continuing, renewal, substitute, reissue, or other applications for patents of any country, that may be deemed necessary by said corporation

AND we do hereby covenant for ourselves and our legal representatives and agree with said corporation, its successors and assigns, that we have granted no right or license to make, use or sell said invention to anyone except said corporation, that, prior to the execution of this deed, our right, title and interest in said invention had not been otherwise encumbered, and that we have not executed and will not execute any instrument in conflict herewith.

R. P. Sansone  
RONALD P. SANSONE

Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023

  
ERIK MONSEN

Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2003

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Date

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County of Fairfield )

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On this 2nd day of SEPTEMBER, 2003, personally appeared before me the above-named ERIK MONSEN to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

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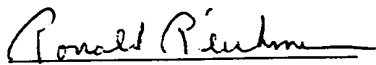
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AND we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America to issue any and all United States patents which may be granted upon said United States application or any of them, or upon said invention or any part thereof, to said corporation;

AND we hereby agree for ourselves and for our heirs, executors and administrators, to execute without further consideration any further lawful documents and any further assurances, and any divisional, continuing, renewal, substitute, reissue, or other applications for patents of any country, that may be deemed necessary by said corporation



AND we do hereby covenant for ourselves and our legal representatives and agree with said corporation, its successors and assigns, that we have granted no right or license to make, use or sell said invention to anyone except said corporation, that, prior to the execution of this deed, our right, title and interest in said invention had not been otherwise encumbered, and that we have not executed and will not execute any instrument in conflict herewith.

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RONALD P. SANSONE

  
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On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of SEPTEMBER, 2003, personally appeared before me the above-named ERIK MONSEN to me known and known by me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and subscribed the same in my presence, and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed in and for the purposes set forth in said instrument.

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